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 CONTROL METHOD FOR THE FUEL CELL SYSTEM

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- ☒ 1. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed (a) within three months of the U.S. filing date of this non-CPA application, OR (b) before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the present application. No certification or fee is required.
- ☒ 2. Relevance of the non-English language reference 2 is discussed in the present specification.
- ☒ 3. The references 1, and 3-5 were cited in a Partial International Search Report. An English language version of the Partial International Search Report is attached for the Examiner's information.
- ☒ 4. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.98(a)(2)(ii), copies of any U.S. patents and patent application publications are not attached.
- ☒ 5. An English language Abstract of the non-English language reference 2 is attached hereto.

- ☒ 6. A computer-generated English language translation of the following Japanese Patent Publication has been obtained from the website of the Japanese Patent Office (<http://www.jpo.go.jp>), and is attached, but has not been reviewed for accuracy. See Reference 2.

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	5	GAY et al., "Fuel Cell Hybrid Drive Train Configurations and Motor Drive Selection," <i>VTC 2002-Fall. 2002 IEEE 56th Vehicular Technology Conference Proceedings., Vancouver, Canada, September 24-28, 2002, IEEE Vehicular Technology Conference, New York, NY: IEEE, US, vol. 1 of 4., Conf. 56, pp. 1007-1010 (September 24, 2002)</i>					
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